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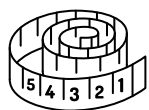
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Beauty School Dropout! This blouse is inspired by the most glamorous scene in *Grease*! “Beauty School” is the quintessential 1950’s inspired top with its cropped silhouette and high neckline. And just like at the beauty parlor, the decisions are yours! Customize this pattern to suit your style or seasonal wardrobe needs. It’s your go-to pattern for the vintage inspired top that goes with everything from pencil skirts, circle skirts, cigarette pants, jeans; And don’t forget your coordinating Beauty School Turban for a truly vintage look.

Sizes



XS (S, M, L) [1X, 2X, 3X]

♥ finished bust size: 29 (33, 37, 41) [45, 49, 53]" / 74 (84, 94, 105) [114, 124, 135] cm

Materials



YARN

Fingering Weight

♥ Short Sleeve:

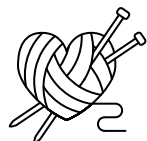
545 (625, 725, 840) [965, 1045, 1115] yards / 500 (570, 665, 770) [880, 955, 1020] meters

♥ Three-Quarter Sleeve:

695 (790, 905, 1035) [1165, 1250, 1315] yards / 635 (720, 830, 945) [1065, 1145, 1200] meters

♥ Long Sleeve:

730 (835, 955, 1100) [1240, 1325, 1395] yards / 670 (765, 875, 1005) [1135, 1210, 1275] meters



SUGGESTED YARN

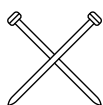
Barbarella by Beehive Yarns (75% merino wool, 20% nylon, 5% stellina; 437 yards/400 meters/50g)

♥ Short Sleeve: 2 (2, 2, 3) [3, 3, 3] skeins

♥ Three-Quarter Sleeve: 2 (2, 3, 3) [3, 3, 4] skeins

♥ Long Sleeve: 2 (2, 3, 3) [3, 3, 4] skeins

samples shown in colorways "Powder Puff" (pale pink) & "Pink Lady" (speckled pink)

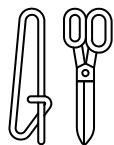


SUGGESTED NEEDLES

♥ US 3/3.25 mm 24"/60 cm to 40"/100 cm circular needle & preferred needles for small circumference (magic loop or DPNs)

♥ US 2/2.75 mm 24"/60 cm to 40"/100 cm circular needle & needles for small circumference

♥ *for mock turtleneck only:* US 4/3.5 mm preferred needles for small circumference



NOTIONS

♥ locking stitch markers, scrap yarn or stitch holder, tapestry needle, row counter

Gauge



IN STOCKINETTE

27 sts & 38 rows = 4"/10cm

larger needle, after blocking

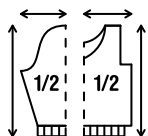
Notes



CONSTRUCTION

The “Beauty School” top is knit seamlessly from the top down starting with the upper back. Shoulders are cast on separately to shape the back neck, joined as one and worked flat to the underarm, then placed on hold. Stitches are picked up at the cast on edges of back shoulders to work the fronts separately, the neck is shaped, and the pieces are joined as one and worked flat to the underarm. Front and back are joined at underarm and shaped to the hem.

Stitches are picked up around the armhole and sleeves are shaped using wrap & turn short rows, worked by knitting to the previous wrap, picking it up, working it together with that stitch, then wrapping the next stitch. You will go one stitch further on each side every row, gradually increasing the length of the row one stitch at a time to shape the cap. Sleeves are then then worked in the round to your desired length. Stitches are picked up at the neckline to work the ribbing in the round, then folded inward and live stitches are sewn to the pick up edge for a double neckband.

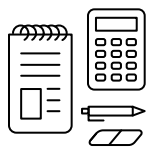


CHOOSING YOUR SIZE

To find your best size, start with your bust measurement. For a snug fit as pictured, choose the size that is 0-2” smaller than your bust size. Sample is shown in a Small on a 35” bust.

When working the sleeve, choose the size that coordinates with your upper arm circumference with 0-2” of negative ease. This will ensure a snug fit on the arm which will keep your best fit regardless of the ease you selected for your bust.

If you are between sizes, chose the closest one, then use the gauge to add/subtract stitches to the bust. If you are adding stitches, you may do so by beginning the bust increases before those written in the pattern. If you are subtracting, you may remove extra stitches at the underarm cast on join. It is very simple to add length, try your sweater on as you work by slipping half the stitches onto an extra needle or scrap yarn. Note that modifications to length will require more yardage.



OTHER INFORMATION

It is recommended to use an elastic bind off. I used a needle two sizes larger to bind off, you also might consider Jeny’s Suprisingly Stretchy Bind Off or Elizabeth Zimmerman’s Sewn Cast Off, depending on your preference. Test the elasticity as you go and adjust your tension if needed.

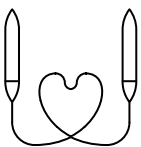
To block, soak for 15 minutes in wool wash or your preferred soap. Gently squeeze out the excess water, then lay flat on a towel. Roll up the towel and step on it to remove as much moisture as possible. Remove from towel, and reshape on a flat surface to dry.



Glossary



{ }	repeat	rep	repeat
beg	beginning	RLI	right lifted increase
BO	bind off	rnd(s)	round(s)
CO	cast on	RS	right side of fabric
dec	decrease	sl	slip stitch
est	established	sm	slip marker
inc	increase	ssk	slip, slip, knit
k	knit	st(s)	stitch(es)
k2tog	knit 2 together	st st	stockinette stitch: knit all stitches on right side, purl all stitches on wrong side
LLI	left lifted increase	tbl	through back loop
m1l	make 1 stitch slanted left	tog	together
m1r	make 1 stitch slanted right	w&t	wrap and turn
p	purl	WS	wrong side of fabric
pm	place marker		



SHORT ROWS

short row wrap and turn: slip next stitch to the right needle, take yarn to opposite side of work between needles, slip same stitch back onto left needle. turn work, ready to begin working in opposite direction

picking up wraps on knit side: insert right needle into the wrap and then into the wrapped stitch; knit the stitch and its wrap together

picking up wraps on purl side: insert tip of needle from behind to pick up wrap from other side of the work, pull wrap up and onto left needle and over the wrapped stitch; purl the stitch and its wrap together



Cast On!

BACK

RIGHT SHOULDER

using larger needle and long tail method,
CO 27 (28, 32, 34) [33, 34, 34] sts

set up row (WS): p all sts

short rows:

row 1: (RS): k6 (7, 8, 8) [8, 8, 8], w&t
(WS): p to end

row 2: (RS): k1, RLL, k to wrap, pick up wrap and work tog with that st, k5 (6, 7, 7) [7, 7, 7], w&t (1 st inc)
(WS): p to end

row 3: rep row 2 (1 st inc)

row 4 (RS): CO 3 sts using cable CO, k to end, picking up previous wrap and working tog with that st as you encounter it (3 sts inc)

row 5 (WS): p to end

<32 (33, 37, 39) [38, 39, 39] sts>

break yarn, place all sts on hold

LEFT SHOULDER

using larger needle and long tail method,
CO 27 (28, 32, 34) [33, 34, 34] sts

set up row 1 (WS): p all sts

set up row 2 (RS): k all sts

short rows:

row 1: (WS): p6 (6, 7, 7) [7, 7, 7], w&t
(RS): k to last st, LLI, k1 (1 st inc)

row 2: (WS): p to wrap, pick up wrap, p5 (6, 7, 7) [7, 7, 7], w&t
(RS): k to last st, LLI, k1 (1 st inc)

row 3: (WS): p to wrap, pick up wrap, p5 (6, 7, 7) [7, 7, 7], w&t
(RS): k to end

row 4 (WS): CO 3 sts using cable CO, p to end, picking up previous wrap as you encounter it (3 sts inc)

<32 (33, 37, 39) [38, 39, 39] sts>

JOIN SHOULDERS

row 1 (RS): k to end of left shoulder sts. cable CO 17 (21, 23, 27) [29, 31, 31] sts for neck +1 extra st. place right shoulder sts on left needle, RS facing. move the extra st from your right needle to your left needle, k2tog with first st of right shoulder. k across remaining sts of right shoulder

row 2 (WS): p

row 3 (RS): k

row 4 (WS): p

<81 (87, 97, 105) [105, 109, 109] sts>

rep rows 3-4 until you have worked a total of **40 (40, 40, 38) [40, 42, 44] rows** even in st st

SHAPE ARMHOLES:

next RS row: inc row: k1, m1r, k to last st, m1l, k1 (2 sts inc)

WS rows: p to end

rep **RS inc row** every RS row 3 (6, 8, 10) [10, 10, 11] more times

next WS row: p to end

CO 2 (2, 2, 2) [2, 4, 4] sts at beg of next 2 rows using a cable CO, ending on a WS row

SIZES 1X, 2X, 3X ONLY:

CO - (-, -, -) [4, 6, 6] sts at beg of next 2 rows using a cable CO, ending on a WS row

<93 (105, 119, 131) [139, 151, 153] sts>

break yarn, place all sts on hold

LEFT FRONT

with RS facing, starting at the top right corner of left shoulder, pick up and k27 (28, 32, 34) [33, 34, 34] sts

set up row (WS): p to end

short rows:

row 1: (RS): k6 (6, 7, 7) [7, 7, 7], w&t
(WS): p to end

row 2: (RS): k to wrap, pick up wrap and work tog with that st, k5 (5, 6, 6) [6, 6, 6], w&t
(WS): p to end

row 3: rep row 2

row 4 (RS): k to end, picking up previous wrap as you encounter it

row 5 (WS): p to end

SHAPE NECKLINE:

row 1: k

row 2: p

rep rows 1-2 until you have worked a *total* of **8 (6, 6, 4) [6, 6, 6] rows** even in st st

next RS row: inc row: k1, RLI, k to end (1 st inc)

WS rows: p

rep **RS inc row** every RS row 4 (5, 5, 6) [5, 5, 5] *more times*

next WS row: p

next RS row: CO 2 (2, 2, 2) [4, 4, 4] sts, k to end

next WS row: p

<34 (36, 40, 43) [43, 44, 44] sts>

break yarn, place all sts on hold

RIGHT FRONT

using larger needles with RS facing, starting at the top right corner, pick up and k27 (28, 32, 34) [33, 34, 34] sts

set up row 1 (WS): p to end

set up row 2 (RS): k to end

short rows:

row 1: (WS): p6 (7, 8, 8) [8, 8, 8], w&t
(RS): k to end

row 2: (WS): p to wrap, pick up wrap, p5 (5, 6, 6) [6, 6, 6], w&t
(RS): k to end

row 3: rep row 2

row 4 (WS): p to end picking up previous wrap as you encounter it

SHAPE NECKLINE:

row 1: k

row 2: p

rep rows 1-2 until you have worked a *total* of **8 (6, 6, 4) [6, 6, 6] rows** even in st st

next RS row: inc row: k to last st, LLI, k1 (1 st inc)

WS rows: p

rep **RS inc row** every RS row 4 (5, 5, 6) [5, 5, 5] *more times*

next WS row: p

next RS row: k

next WS row: CO 2 (2, 2, 2) [4, 4, 4] sts, p to end

<34 (36, 40, 43) [43, 44, 44] sts>

JOIN FRONTS

continue row count from "shape neckline"

joining row (RS): k across right front sts, cable CO 13 (15, 17, 19) [19, 21, 21] sts + 1 extra st; place left front sts on left needle,

move extra st to left needle and k2tog with first st, k to end

<81 (87, 97, 105) [105, 109, 109] sts>

work a total of **40 (40, 40, 38) [40, 42, 44] rows** in st st from row count that began at "SHAPE NECKLINE"

SHAPE ARMHOLES:

next RS row: inc row: k1, RLL, work to last st, LLL, k1 (2 sts inc)

WS rows: p

rep **RS inc row** every RS row 3 (6, 8, 10) [10, 10, 11] more times

next WS row: p to end

CO 2 (2, 2, 2) [2, 4, 4] sts at beg of next 2 rows using a cable CO, ending on a WS row

SIZES 1X, 2X, 3X ONLY:

CO - (-, -, -) [4, 6, 6] sts at beg of next 2 rows using a cable CO, ending on a WS row

<93 (105, 119, 131) [139, 151, 153] sts>

SHAPE WAIST

joining rnd (RS): starting with the front sts still on your needle, cable CO 3 (3, 3, 4) [6, 7, 13] sts, k to end. place back sts on left hand needle. using cable CO onto your right hand needle, CO 3 (3, 3, 4) [6, 7, 13] sts, pm, CO 3 (3, 3, 4) [6, 7, 13] + 1 extra st. move the extra st to your left hand needle, k2tog with first st of back; k across all back sts. CO 3 (3, 3, 4) [6, 7, 13] sts, + 1 extra st. move the extra st to your left needle, pm onto right needle (this is now your beg of rnd marker), then k2tog the extra st with first st of front. piece is joined and now worked through the body as one.

<198 (222, 250, 278) [302, 330, 358] sts>

rnds 1-10: k

rnd 11: dec rnd: k1, k2tog, k to 3 sts before marker, ssk, k1, sm, k1, k2tog, k to 3 sts before marker, ssk, k1 (4 sts dec)

CROP TOP ONLY

rep **dec rnd** every 6th rnd 10 (9, 8, 7) [7, 7, 1] more times; then every 4th rnd 0 (3, 5, 6) [5, 5, 13] times

<154 (170, 194, 222) [250, 278, 298] sts>

NATURAL WAIST ONLY

SIZES XS-2X ONLY:

rep **dec rnd** every 8th rnd 10 (5, 3, 2) [4, 4, -] more times; then every 6th rnd 0 (7, 10, 11) [8, 8, -] times

SIZE 3X ONLY:

rep **dec rnd** every 6th rnd 11 more times; then every 4th rnd 3 times

<154 (170, 194, 222) [250, 278, 298] sts>

ALL LENGTHS

next 10 rnds: k

change to smaller needles

rnds 1-12: {k1, p1}

BO loosely in rib

SLEEVES

place locking st markers at the top and bottom of the armhole. starting at the bottom of the underarm and working to the st marker at the top of armhole, pick up & k38 (39, 43, 49) [58, 60, 62] sts with *smaller* needle as follows:

6 (6, 6, 8) [12, 14, 26] sts in underarm; 25 (26, 30, 32) [35, 35, 25] sts along side of armhole at a rate of ~1 st per 2 rows; and 7 (7, 7, 9) [11, 11, 11] sts at top of cap. mirror for the other side so the sts are distributed evenly on both sides of the armhole. place marker to join in rnd, change to larger needle.

<76 (78, 86, 98) [116, 120, 124] sts>

short rows:

row 1: (RS): k13 (14, 14, 16) [19, 19, 19],
pm X, k33 (34, 38, 44) [53, 55,
57], w&t

(WS): p16 (17, 18, 22) [27, 28,
28], w&t

row 2: (RS): k to previous wrapped
st, pick up wrap and work tog
with that st, w&t

(WS): p to previous wrapped
st, pick up wrap and work tog
with that st, w&t

continue to work short rows as est by rep
row 2, working to previous wrapped st,
working wrap together with that st, w&t;
until last st before marker X is wrapped.
remove marker X.

dec short rows:

row 1: (RS): k to previous wrapped
st, pick up wrap and work tog
with that st, wrap next 2 sts
tog as one & turn

(WS): p to previous wrapped
st, pick up wrap and work tog
with that st, wrap next 2 sts
tog as one and turn

row 2: (RS): k to previous double
wrap, pick up wrap and work
tog with those 2 sts, wrap next
2 sts tog & turn

(WS): p to previous double
wrap, pick up wrap and work
tog with those 2 sts, wrap next
2 sts tog & turn

rep **dec short row 2** two more times

next RS row: beg working in rnd, k to
previous wrap, pick up wrap and work
tog, k to 3 sts before end of rnd, k2tog
tbl, k1

next rnd: k1, k2tog, k to previous wrap,
pick up and k double wrap tog, working
as if a k2tog with the wrapped sts, but tbl
of wrap; k to end of rnd

<66 (68, 76, 88) [106, 110, 114] sts>

rnds 1-10: k

SHORT SLEEVE ONLY 

proceed to ribbing

3/4 SLEEVE ONLY 

next rnd: dec rnd: k1, k2tog, k to 3 sts
before marker, ssk, k1 (2 sts dec)

SIZE XS ONLY:

rep **dec rnd** every 10th rnd 5 more times,
then every 8th rnd 4 times

SIZE S ONLY:

rep **dec rnd** every 10th rnd 9 more times

SIZE M ONLY:

rep **dec rnd** every 8th rnd 11 more
times, then every 6th rnd 1 time

SIZE L ONLY:

rep **dec rnd** every 8th rnd 6 more times,
then every 6th rnd 8 times

SIZES 1X, 2X & 3X ONLY:

rep **dec rnd** every 6th rnd 9 more times,
then every 4th rnd 11 times

<46 (48, 50, 58) [64, 68, 72] sts>

next 10 rnds: k

LONG SLEEVE ONLY 

next rnd: dec rnd: k1, k2tog, k to 3 sts
before marker, ssk, k1 (2 sts dec)

SIZE XS ONLY:

rep **dec rnd** every 10th rnd 9 more times,
then every 8th rnd 4 times

SIZE S ONLY:

rep **dec rnd** every 10th rnd 13 more times

SIZE M ONLY:

rep **dec rnd** every 8th rnd 17 more times

SIZE L ONLY:

rep **dec rnd** every 8th rnd 10 more times,
then every 6th rnd 10 times

SIZES 1x, 2X & 3X ONLY:

rep **dec rnd** every 6th rnd - (-,-,-) [17, 15, 15] *more times*, then every 4th rnd - (-,-,-) [10, 13, 13] times

<38 (40, 40, 46) [50, 52, 56] sts>

next 10 rnds: k

ALL SLEEVE LENGTHS ♥ ♥ ♥

change to smaller needles

rnds 1-6: {k1, p1}

BO loosely in rib. rep for second sleeve.

NECKBAND

ALL NECKLINES ♥ ♥

with smaller needles and RS facing, starting at right shoulder seam, pick up & k86 (96, 106, 118) [122, 128, 128] sts around neck; pm to join in the rnd

rnds 1-10: {k1, p1}

change to larger needles

rnds 11-20: {k1, p1}

MOCK TURTLENECK ONLY ♥

rnds 21-25: {k1, p1}

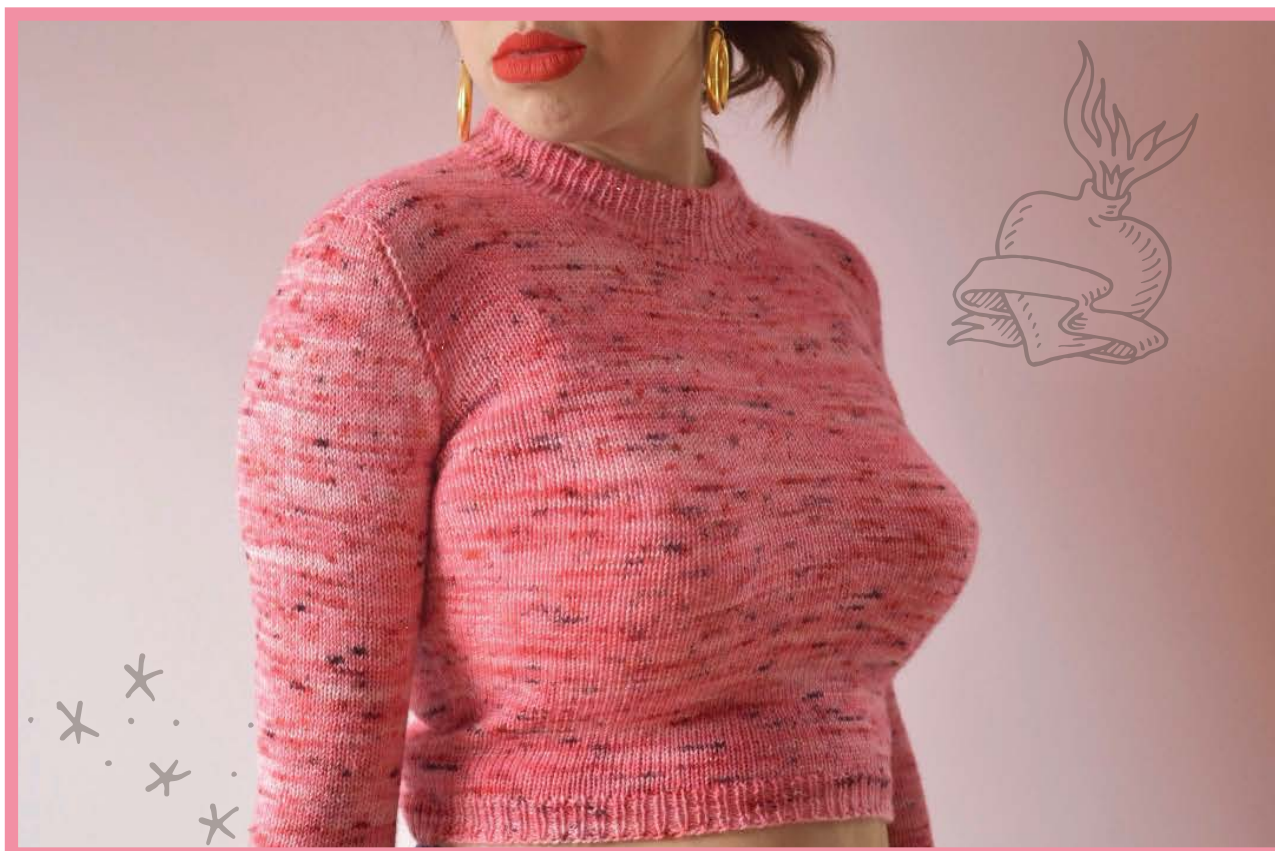
change to one size larger needles

rnds 26-40: {k1, p1}

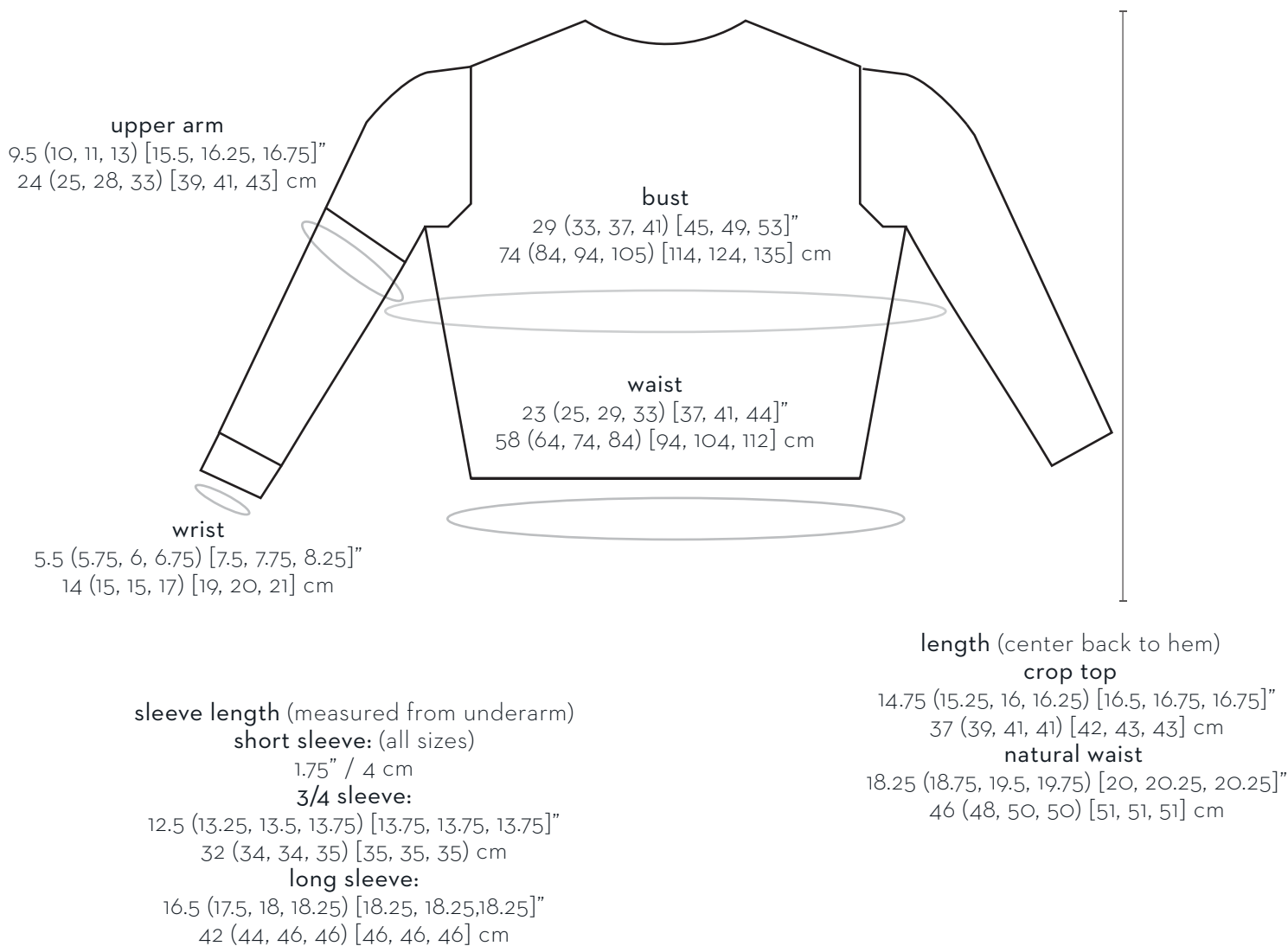
ALL NECKLINES ♥ ♥

place live sts on waste yarn. break yarn with a long tail for sewing. fold neckband in towards WS. stitch live sts to pick up edge, matching stitch for stitch and removing waste yarn as you go. be careful to check your tension as you work, to ensure the neckband remains stretchy around the "seam". if your length of yarn is too short, just weave in and start with a new piece.

block according to schematic and weave in ends!



Schematic



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